

### **Girlfriend 44**

F Barrowcliffe

Since he was 10 years old Harry has one ambition - to find the perfect girl. Twenty years later he is no nearer his goal. Harry and his best mate Gerrard both meet Alice and decide she is the one.

### **Infidelity for First-time Fathers**

F Barrowcliffe

A warm and witty comedy about a 30-something British fellow who suddenly finds himself with two pregnant girlfriends.

### **Jonathan Strange & Mr. Norrell**

F Clarke

The Tale of two very different magicians who battle to bring magic back to England. Sophisticated, witty, and ingeniously convincing, Susanna Clarke's novel weaves magic into a flawlessly detailed vision of historical England.

### **White Teeth**

F Smith

A formidable debut novel. Zadie Smith takes on race, sex, class, history, and a minefield of gender politics.

### **High Fidelity**

F Hornby

Hornby's narrator is an early-thirty something English guy who runs a London record store. He sells albums recorded the old-fashioned way—on vinyl—and is having a tough time making other transitions as well, specifically adulthood.

### **About a Boy**

F Hornby

Will Lightman is a Peter Pan for the 1990s. At 36, the terminally hip North Londoner. The only trouble is, his friends are succumbing to responsibilities and children, and he's increasingly left out in the cold.

### **London Fields**

F Amis

In this ambitious work, Amis relates two murders in the making. One is the self-orchestrated extinction of the character Nicola Six and the second is the murder of Earth itself.

### **E: A Novel**

F Beaumont

A fast-paced, wickedly funny tale of office back-stabbing and corporate intrigue that unfolds in a succession of escalating e-mails.

### **Things My Girlfriend and I Have Argued About**

F Millington

Things My Girlfriend and I Have Argued About is a brilliant comic novel examining the unique warfare in long-term relationships.



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### Emmett's Brit Lit List



### A selection of his favorite books

#### **Talking it over**

F Barnes

This novel begins as a comedy about love and misunderstanding, then slowly darkens and deepens, drawing us into the quagmires of the heart.

#### **History of the world in 10 1/2 chapters**

F Barnes

A kind of detective story, relating a cranky amateur scholar's search for the truth about Gustave Flaubert, and the obsession of this detective whose life seems to oddly mirror those of Flaubert's characters.

#### **Bridget Jones Diary**

F Fielding

Both of the Bridget Jones installments are hilarious accounts of a year in the life of a thirty-something single woman caught between self acceptance and self loathing.

#### **The Eyre Affair**

F Sci Fforde

Imagine if Lewis Carroll had decided to write a detective story, which became a love story, which grew into a thriller, which ended up as a highly entertaining page-turner that confounds expectations, and you have some idea of the scope of this novel.

#### **Something Rotten**

F Sci Fforde

Harry Potter just for adults... effortlessly readable and unashamedly escapist.

#### **My Legendary Girlfriend**

F Gayle

The debut novel from Mike Gayle is something of a male Bridget Jones Diary. The burning question in this debut is whether Will Kelly can ever get over the vaunted Agnes and learn to love again.